

# **9 FAM PART IV Appendix C, NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS, COMMONWEALTH OF**

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## **RECIPROCITY**

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None.

## **SPECIAL CLEARANCE AND ISSUANCE PROCEDURES**

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None.

## **Travel Information**

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The Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) became a U.S. commonwealth on November 3, 1986. The CNMI has, under an agreement with the United States, control over its own immigration and customs. Most natives of the CNMI are U.S. citizens. A U.S. visa is not required to enter the CNMI. A U.S. citizen does not need a visa to enter the CNMI, but should carry a U.S. passport as proof of citizenship. Non-U.S. citizens should get in touch with the Immigration and Nationality Office, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Saipan, MP 96950 for information on entry requirements.

There are direct commercial flights into the CNMI (Saipan) from Manila, Tokyo and Guam (U.S.). There is also a weekly flight from Palau, but to reach Palau it is necessary to transit through either Manila or Guam.

## **VISA ISSUING POST**

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**NIV:** Aliens resident in the CNMI should apply for nonimmigrant visa services at the post having jurisdiction over the last place of permanent residence outside the CNMI or the United States, or at a post at which they are physically present. Last place of permanent residence may, of course, require appearance in person if deemed necessary.

**IV:** The U.S. Embassy at Tokyo, Japan processes immigrant visa for aliens who reside in the CNMI.